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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS 1976 REPORTING

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- 1. ROMANIA DOES NOT RECEIVE U.S. DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE OR SECURITY ASSISTANCE. BUT, LIKE ALL OTHER COMMUNITS STATES, ROMANIA CAN BE SAID TO POSSESS "IMPORTANT HUMAN RIGHTS PROBLEMS" (PARA 11, REFTEL).
- 2. BELIEVE POST'S HUMAN-RIGHTS REPORTING DURING PAST YEAR MEETS REFTEL'S PURPOSES. WE HAVE NO REALLY SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO ADD TO THIS BODY OF MATERIAL. FOR MOST RECENT ITEMS DEPARTMENT IS REFERRED IN PARTICULAR TO: (A) HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN GENERAL--A-81, APRIL 22, 1975; A-001, JANUARY 9, 1976; A-007, JANUARY 16, 1976; (B) PSYCHIATRIC CONFINEMENT OF DISSENTERS--MEMCON MARCH 4, 1976; EUR/EE-EMBASSY OFFICIAL-INFORMAL CORRESPONDENCE 1975-76; (C) POLITICAL ARRESTS--BUCHAREST 185, 0383, MUNICH 057; MEMCON JANUARY 20, 1976; (D) NEO-PROTESTANT DISSENT--MEMCONS JANUARY 4, 1976, OCTOBER 29, 1975 AND PREVIOUS; (E) MAGYAR MINORITY SITUATION--MEMCONS FEBRUARY 18 AND MARCH 1; AIRGRAM BEING POUCHED MARCH 12; EUR/EE-EMBASSY OFFICIAL-INFORMAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CORRESPONDENCE; (F) MEDIA CAMPAIGN AGAINST RFE, EMIGRATION AND

MIXED MARRIAGES--BUCHREST 0292 AND PREVIOUS.

- 3. DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION ALSO DIRECTED TO AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL'S 1975 REPORT AND ITS SECTION ON ROMANIA. THIS REPORT IS DEFICIENT IN NOT TAKING NOTE OF THE RELEASE FROM PRISON OF ZOLTAN KALLOS, HUNGARIAN FOLKLORIST (SUMMER 1975), VASILE RASCOL, PENTACOSTAL BIBLE SMUGGLER (OCTOBER 1975), AND CAMIL DEMETRESCU, ONE-TIME NATIONAL PEASANT PARTY SYMPATHIZER. COMMON DENOMINATOR OF CASES WAS EXTENSIVE FOREIGN PUBLICITY AND PROTEST WHICH PRESUMABLY PLAYED SOME PART IN GOR DECISION TO ALLOW EARLY RELEASE.
- 4. EMBASSY HAS CONCENTRATED ITS HUMAN-RIGHTS DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS IN FIELD OF FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT AND REUNIFICATION OF FAMILIES, AND HAS CLOSE AND CONSTANT DIALOGUE WITH GOR ON THESE MATTERS. BARNES

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